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FOURTH OF JULY.

Proceedings of the Public Meeting on Celebration.

In pursuance of a call issued the citizens of Florence met at the Florence Hotel Wednesday evening to take under consideration the proper celebration of the Fourth of July.

Hon. G. W. Brown was elected chairman and Hon. A. J. Doran secretary.

On motion the following Finance Committee was appointed: Colonel Granville Wheat, David Gibson and Jerry Fryer.

The following Committee of arrangements was also appointed: J. M. Ochoa, T. F. Weedin, W. B. Miller, Dr. Wm. Harvey and A. J. Doran.

The committee were instructed to report at an adjourned meeting to be held on Sunday evening next at 8 o'clock, and the meeting adjourned to that date.

Letter from Tucson.

TUCSON, June 1, 1887.

EDITOR ENTERPRISE: The people of this ancient city naturally take a deep interest in the developments of the Gila valley at or near Florence, for they feel that after you experience the grand boom now setting in the Santa Cruz will receive a share of the public attention. I note with satisfaction the good efforts of the ENTERPRISE to let the world know the merits of your valley, and I am sure the good fruits of your work will be appreciated by the people.

Our irrigating ditches are being constructed as rapidly as circumstances permit, and next year will mark a very desirable change in the condition of that portion of the valley to be reached by them. The future looks promising in spite of the present apparent dullness in every branch of business and industry.

I read with some surprise in our local newspapers the strong efforts being made to induce settlers to take up the disputed lands of the San Rafael de la Zanja ranch, belonging to the Camerons. These lands have been thrown open to settlement by order of the department but the dispute of title is far from being ended, and long litigation is likely to follow. When there is so much equally desirable land subject to entry elsewhere I cannot see the wisdom of making a venture involving such probable risks. A secure title is as much to be desired as a good quality of soil and plenty of water, and where all three requisites can be obtained just as easily it is almost in the nature of a crime to induce innocent settlers to labor in the shadow of certain lawsuits.

I am much pleased with your paper, and hope you will keep perpetually before the people the great advantages your valley offers to settlers, for the boom that you are sure to soon receive will later on spread to the valley of the Santa Cruz.

SPOOKS.

Florence has spooks, and very wicked spooks. They exhibit an ugly and warlike disposition that is in strange contrast with the peaceful surroundings of the place. On Thursday Mike Rice called at the ENTERPRISE office wearing a bandage over his right eye and a blue ribbon in the buttonhole of his coat, presenting a picture of diabolical respectability. He detailed the circumstances that disturbed his previous night's rest in the haunted house, when the spooks came in without invitation, tipped over the table, broke the lamp, slammed doors and shut windows, and played all sorts of diabolical pranks, in the midst of which a chair leg struck Mike's eye and left him badly used up. Mike's melancholy look attested the truthfulness of the harrowing tale, while his blue ribbon gave abundant proof that the water wasn't to blame. Spooks that will knock the chip off one's shoulder or put a head on sleeping innocence are very rare, but Florence has got 'em, and got 'em bad.

The Vekol Output.

Through the kindness of Judge J. D. Walker the ENTERPRISE is enabled to give the output of the Vekol for the first four months of the present year, as follows:

January.....\$9,699.70
February.....9,566.21
March.....8,109.95
April.....8,267.26

Total.....\$35,643.12

The mill started up on June 1st to run continuously day and night, and hereafter the output will be more than doubled. A test has been made of the quantity of water in the well, and fifty thousand gallons taken out per day shows no perceptible decrease in the supply. This gratifying intelligence gives complete assurance of a brilliant future for the wonderful Vekol.

The Programme.

The Committee of Arrangements on the Fourth of July observance met on Thursday evening and formulated a partial programme. They have provided for horse racing (exclusively for horses of Pinal county without a record), foot races, and in the evening a grand ball and supper. The finance committee have secured a good round sum for the necessary expenses, and a new race track will be prepared for the occasion. It is expected that many visitors from Silver King, Pinal and other towns and settlements in the county will be present, and a very enjoyable occasion will result.

Hotels, boarding houses, mining camps and dealers generally, will save money by purchasing their supplies from Colonel Joseph Durr at Tucson. He keeps Kansas City hams, bacon and lard, California, eastern, cream, Swiss and Limburger cheese, vinegar and salt pickles in bulk, Worcestershire sauce, catsup, French mustard, olives, stuffed peppers, pepper hash and all sorts of delicacies in bulk; also sauer kraut, pig's feet, tripe and all kinds of choice wines, liquors and cigars. They should send for his prices and they will always patronize the genial old gentleman.

The trial run of the Reymert mill, of five days, with two pans, cleaned up 125 pounds of silver bullion. This excellent result will probably be improved upon when the mill is running steadily.

Local Items.

Ice cream at the American Bakery every Sunday.

Mr. Perry Wildman, of Pinal, spent Sunday in Florence.

Mr. Edmond Bouvaille is in town from the Reymert mines.

Mr. W. H. Griffith returned from his visit to Tucson on Wednesday.

If you want good, healthy, sweet bread go the American Bakery.

Mr. R. H. Martin went up to Pinal on Thursday and will return to-day.

Large quantities of loose hay is being brought in from the ranches and baled here.

Mrs. French has purchased Mrs. Drew's restaurant, west of the court house.

Mr. E. O. Kennedy, of Globe, was registered at the Florence Hotel one day this week.

Mr. W. H. Sutherland brought in a lot of fine fat steers from his ranch near Dripping Springs this week.

Mr. T. L. Morris, of Quincy, Illinois, has been making observations through the valley, with a view to investment.

E. W. Morrison, Esq., has returned from his trip to Tombstone and will hereafter remain in Florence and practice his profession.

Mr. John Nicholas has commenced the erection of a dwelling house, 20 by 40 feet in size, at the corner of Bailey and Ninth streets.

Mr. W. J. Bley, wife and daughter, and Mrs. Cook, from Silver King, were in Florence on Tuesday and left Wednesday for home.

The finest turnouts in the country and the best stock, at Drew & Bamick's livery stable.

It is reported that Judge J. D. Reymert is laid up with an attack of rheumatism. His many friends here hope for his speedy recovery.

Mr. George R. Morse, who recently completed a contract for the Atlas mining company, near Red Rock, has his teams at work on the Florence canal.

Mr. J. C. Brown, of Kansas, was in Florence on Wednesday taking a look at the country. He was very much pleased with what he saw and believes the future of this section will be singularly bright.

Lauches, tea, coffee, milk, sandwiches, pies, cakes, etc., at the American Bakery.

Miss Otis, who has been teaching school at Globe, passed through Florence on Sunday on her way to Washington.

Mr. G. E. White, of Globe, was likewise a passenger for Casa Grande.

The Florence visitors to Tucson should not fail to call upon Siewart, at the Fashion restaurant, for one of the best meals to be obtained in the Territory. He serves fresh oysters and fish to order at all hours.

Florence people who visit Tucson will find the Russ House, which has been reopened under the management of Mr. Charles J. Freese, to be the proper place to stop at. It is a neat, clean and airy house and is centrally located.

The ENTERPRISE has just received a new supply of job stock and new varieties of type, and is now prepared to execute all kinds of commercial work in the most approved style and at prices that cannot be discounted anywhere.

The wide awake people of Florence will celebrate the Fourth of July in a style that will please the bird of freedom. Patriotic horse racing and star spangled lemonade will contribute to the general hilarity of the occasion.

Mr. W. C. Smith, upon returning from his summer visit to Scotland, will erect a handsome two-story business block at the corner of Main and Seventh streets, in Florence. He has about settled upon the general plan of the building, and it will be an ornament to the place.

Mr. P. M. Nippert, of San Francisco, special agent of the Home Insurance Company, of New York, and the Phoenix of Hartford, was in Florence this week making a survey of the place for the use of underwriters. Mr. W. E. Guild is the local representative of the companies above named.

Mr. Frank Allison, one of the most enterprising and successful young business men of Tucson, spent a day in Florence this week. He has formed a very high opinion of the excellence of this valley, and thinks there is but one famed valley in the whole State of California that excels it in natural advantages. Mr. Allison will again visit Florence within a couple of weeks.

The lower camp on the Florence canal is now making nearly a mile of the work per week. Over one hundred head of horses and thirteen buck scrapers are engaged in the work. Ben Van Vlack, who has charge of the camp corral, says it takes from twenty-two to twenty-four hours per day of his time to look after the stock. Mr. Van Vlack, it must be remembered, is the "hoisting works of the Black Ben."

In enumerating the various acquiesces about Florence, last week, the ENTERPRISE unintentionally neglected to mention two very important ones, the Walker ditch, south of the river below Florence, that irrigates 1,500 acres of land, and the Sharp and Verney ditch, north of the river, that irrigates about 300 acres. They are included in the corrected article, republished in another column.

A party consisting of Messrs. W. J. Hunnaker, J. L. Copeland and Barney Manning, of San Diego, came in on Thursday and went at once upon the line of the Florence canal to locate tracts of land. Mr. Hunnaker says Florence is much talked about in southern California, and he feels certain that the grandest boom yet is coming to this valley. Mr. Hunnaker is one of San Diego's leading lawyers and a gentleman of rare business sagacity and judgment.

Mr. Aaron Mason has carefully preserved the skeleton of the pre-historic individual whose death bed was the bottom of an old canal that has since become solid rock. Some of the bones are of unusual length, and the well preserved teeth are small and shapely. A metatarsal was found imbedded in the rocks near the skeleton. A number of curious relics of the extinct race of people have been found in constructing the Florence canal.

Interested parties residing in Florence should arrange to provide means to show to strangers the advantages and opportunities for investment in and about the town. There are many evidences of the wonderful growth of fruit, flower and tree to be seen, and investors will derive more substantial information by visiting the various sources of water supply and inspecting the living evidences of what can be done. Let the real estate men exercise a little paternal care over the footsteps of strangers.

Records of Pinal County.

R. J. Whiteside, Recdr.

DEEDS.

G. W. Sharp to Isabel Sharp, blocks A, B, C, D, E, 12, 37 and 40 and fractional northwest part of block 11, Florence townsite; consideration, \$6000.

P. Ramirez and wife to Isabel Sharp, fractional part of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4, Sec. 25, T. 4 S., R. 9 E.

George E. Stone to Tertilia G. and S. Mining Company, Jessie Benton mine and mill site, and other mines in Owl Head district.

J. M. Ochoa to Gus Heyman, undivided 1/4 of block 125, N 1/2 block 128, blocks Nos. 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 21, 22, 23, 26, 28, 29, 38, 194 and 212; consideration, \$1.

F. M. Griffith to Wm. H. Long, NE 1/4 Sec. 34, T. 4 S., R. 9 E; consideration, \$1,000.

Granville Wheat and wife to J. M. Ochoa, block No. 57, Wheat's addition to the town of Florence; consideration, \$1.

Ultimo, Thomas Earle, D. W. Cummins.

Triemans, Antler, Faint Hope, J. D. Banier and Ed. Bier, Casa Grande district.

Medoc and Northern Belle, near Mammoth; John Cronin.

A. B. C., Pioneer district, B. W. Connelly et al.

Boyd, Casa Grande district, F. C. Minshall et al.

Blue Jay, Dripping Springs, Wm. M. Griffith.

CHATEL MORTGAGE.

T. Nicholas to W. H. Benson.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Articles of incorporation of the Crispin Mining and Milling Company.

BOND.

A. L. Walker, Notary Public.

Bo. J. Whiteside, Justice of the Peace.

R. T. Patterson, Notary Public.

MILL SITE.

Columbia, W. H. Benson.

Golden West, C. Johnson.

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

John Bauer to Louis Ezekiel.

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE.

Joaquin Parra and Gabriela Salazar.

BILL OF SALE.

W. Y. Price to J. M. Ochoa, cattle brand and calves; consideration, \$500.

HEREDITARY DISEASES.

A fallacious notion has somewhere crept in that an intellectual man must be below par physically, and that the one faculty is necessarily cultivated at the expense of the other. The old proverb, *mens sana in corpore sano*, has been flouted as an absurdity. So much, very briefly, for the first cause of race-degeneration; and the second, and the one to which this paper would direct attention, is the influence of hereditary diseases. This factor has never received the attention it should have had at the hands of the writers on social science. The races of which we have been speaking had little of this element to contend with. The weaklings were either deliberately exposed and left to die, as in the case of the Spartans, or if they attained maturity they were held in such low esteem that they willingly kept in the background. Look for a moment at our modern civilization, and mark its diametrically opposite tendency. Every day hospitals are being erected to nurture the diseased and imperfect specimens of our race, and every year thousands of children are by skill and care saved from the death to which Nature would consign them. All this accords with our enlarged notions of humanity, and reflects great credit on the zeal of the philanthropist and the science of the physician, but it exerts a baneful effect on the race. To one who has had access to any large city hospitals, it is a pitiful sight to see the multitude of children who are tided over a few years, and sent out into the world branded with an hereditary taint to propagate their wretched breeds. The limits of this paper will not allow any extended statistics, nor the nature of it warrant a special discussion of hereditary diseases, but there are two whose effects are apparent to all, consumption and insanity. The former, consumption, using the term in its widest sense, has for ages produced the most frightful ravages. For example, in England, from 1837 to 1841, of the total number of deaths from all causes sixteen per cent were from consumption. In Philadelphia, from 1840 to 1849, the death rate was one of consumption to six and a half from all other causes, or about fifteen per cent.—Dr. George J. Preston, in *Popular Science Monthly*.

There are in Dundee, Scotland, eight companies dealing in mortgages and estates in the Western and Northwestern States. In Edinburgh there are eleven, and in Glasgow three. The land and cattle companies in the United Kingdom operating in the United States hold in fee simple 2,016,883 acres, and by lease 1,445,796 acres. Their dividends in 1883 averaged over 8 per cent, but fell to only a little over 4 per cent in 1885. The causes of this decline are found in the rapid growth of capital in the United States and the gradual decline in the rate of interest which has occurred all over the world.

Doves and quail are unusually plentiful along the ranches on the river, and pot hunters can always meet with gratifying success, while the sportsman enjoys the opportunity to exercise his skill upon difficult shots. Last Saturday Messrs. E. O. Smith and Dave Gibson gathered in about three hundred birds in a few hours, while a single shot often fills the game bag. It is thought that the birds have been compelled to seek the valley by reason of the parched condition of the higher lands.

American bakery never closes. Lunches served at all hours day or night.

CATTLE FOR SALE.

Any one wishing to purchase heifers, cows with or without calves, and steers one year old and upwards, can learn particulars by calling at the ENTERPRISE Office.

Notice.

The undersigned have purchased all book accounts of the ENTERPRISE, and all persons indebted for advertising, subscription and job work, will settle with them. The indebtedness of the office will be paid by Hon. Thos. F. Weedin, the retiring publisher.

Florence, May 7, 1887.

R. C. & G. W. BROWN.

200 Laying Hens for Sale.

Two hundred laying hens for sale at my ranch. Price, \$5 per dozen.

H. G. BALLOU.

Arizona News.

Nogales is to have a new bank.

Tucson had a fine shower on Wednesday morning.

Mr. E. B. Gage has returned to Tombstone from the east.

Judge J. T. Griffith has been appointed postmaster at Nogales.

Colonel Frank Hatch, of Phenix, has gone east for the summer.

Another company of cavalry has been ordered to Fort McDowell.

The Kingman sampling works paid \$700,000 for ore last year.

The new statutes of Arizona will be ready for delivery by June 15th.

Judge John Haynes, of Tucson, has recovered from a severe sickness.

Tombstone experienced another slight earthquake shock last Friday morning.

Adolf Saleman and his bride have gone to Solomonville from San Francisco.

Goldman & Co., of Phenix, have the Fort Grant grain contract for the coming year.

It is reported that Colonel C. E. Daley will be appointed land and timber inspector.

Mr. W. G. Stauby is the new editor of the Clifton Clarion, and he slings a graceful quill.

Pima county duellists send word to the sheriff in time to be interrupted before powder is burnt.

Patrick Wall, a section boss at Cienfuegos, fell down a well on the 18th, and crushed his skull.

A freighter named Aiken was held up by a negro soldier on the Globe and Wilcox road last week.

James Pascoe, of Tombstone, is to wrestle an unknown in Oregon, early next month, for \$1,000.

Dick Rule has gone to Yuma as secretary of the Board of Prison Commissioners and clerk of the court.

Pete Martinello, a Tombstone butcher, was found dead, hanging to the limb of a tree in the Santa Rita's, last Sunday.

Tombstone enforces a curfew ordinance, and boys under 18 are not allowed on the streets at night after 8 o'clock.

Mr. George E. Knight, of Yuma, has just received \$1,672 back pension pay. He served in a Massachusetts regiment.

Fred Harvey has taken all the eating houses on the A. & P. railroad, Stackpole & Lincoln having relinquished them.

Pima county has sold its funding bonds—the \$250,000 at a premium of \$2,815 and the \$50,000 at a premium of \$600.

David Beck, a native of Connerville, Indiana, residing in Tucson, died on Tuesday. His body was sent east to his relatives.

Hon. Briggs Goodrich entertained Governor Zulick and a party of gentlemen at a grand barbecue in Phenix on Tuesday evening.

On Tuesday morning, May 24th, Cyrus B. Tannehill fell a distance of 150 feet in the Howard shaft at Pioneer, and was instantly killed.

Attorney General Goodrich says the Territorial Auditor must draw warrants for the District Judges for the \$600 additional pay heretofore authorized.

Apache county ranchmen have trailed a party of rustlers to Phenix, where they recovered about thirty head of stolen horses that were in the boom.

The Territorial Board of Education met in Prescott the 17th and adopted rules and regulations for the schools. The text books were not changed.

The Tombstone Epitaph has entered upon its ninth volume, and is enlarged to seven columns. The Epitaph is a good and fearless paper and says exactly what it means.

The Tucson Star says Colonel John Clemenshire, under bonds on a charge of branding cattle belonging to other parties, has skipped, leaving his bondsmen to pay the forfeit.

Peter Shell, of Owens' Spring, Mohave county, was thrown from a horse on Tuesday of last week and his thigh was broken. He remounted and rode to Yucca station, 12 distant, and was then taken to Kingman for surgical assistance.

Excitement in Texas.

Great excitement has been caused in the vicinity of Paris, Tex., by the remarkable recovery of Mr. J. E. Corley, who was so helpless he could not turn in bed, or raise his head; everybody said he was dying of Consumption. A trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery was sent him. Finding relief, he bought a large bottle and a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills; by the time he had taken two boxes of Pills and two bottles of the Discovery he was well and had gained in flesh thirty-six pounds.

Trial bottles of this Great Discovery free at J. D. Rittenhouse.

Joe Sloan camped at McMillen on Tuesday night with a band of cattle numbering between 300 and 400 head, which he will locate in the Sierra Anchas. This is only a small portion of the herd brought from Texas last winter. A very large number of them were too poor to stand the drive and were left near Dundee, Graham county.—Silver Belt.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, Tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. D. Rittenhouse.

Florence Hotel Arrivals.

The following are among those who registered at the Florence Hotel during the week:

C. Smith, Butte; Luke Smith, Canal; P. Wildman, Pinal; W. Harrington, Chino; P. M. Nippert, S. Fran; L. Vahrga, El Paso; H. Neymeyer & W. S. K. M. Neymeyer, S. K. & S. Farrell, Wilcox; W. H. & W. S. King; Miss Bley, Silver King; Mrs. Cook, Dudleyville; E. O. Keelley, Kansas; J. C. Brown, Kansas; E. O. Kennedy, Globe; W. M. Griffith, Tucson; Miss N. Bole, Tucson; W. C. Bryant, Pinal; A. Hastings, Pinal; W. J. Hunnaker, San J. L. Copeland, S. Diego; Diego.

B. Manning, San Diego; Cal Preston, Pinal; E. DeBurg, Pinal; T. L. Morris, Illinois; Frank Allison, Tucson; W. Y. Price, R. Ranch; W. Miner, L. Cotuwood.

Warning to the Public.

All persons are hereby warned not to buy or trade for any cattle of the following brands: An on right hip and also on the right hip the letter I surrounded by a circle. The said cattle belong on the Bluewater Range, and no person except myself has a right to sell any of the same.

A reward of one hundred dollars will be paid for any person driving any of said cattle from said range.

JOHN C. LOSS.

Another "Combine" Strike for \$15,000.

The Quaker City has several times shown the falsity that "lightning never strikes twice in the same place." Not long ago a combination of Lombard and South Street Railroad conductors drew \$15,000 in the Louisiana State Lottery, but the drawing on Tuesday, April 12th, has proven a still greater windfall in one-tenth of the \$150,000 capital prize to a combination of thirteen men employed by the firm of Goodell & Waters, machinery manufacturers, Hamilton, above Fifteenth street. Most of the members of the club, although not in want, are men of very moderate means, and the \$1,133 which each will soon receive will, no doubt, be put to good use.—Philadelphia (Pa.) Inquirer, April 18th.

BORN.

In Florence, May 14, to the wife of Nelson Caplet, a daughter.

In Phenix, May 30, to the wife of G. W. F. Johnston, a son—8-pounder.

In Phenix, May 19, to the wife of H. Garfias, a son.

In Tempe, May 11, to the wife of J. W. Nichols, a son.

In Tempe, May 12, to the wife of R. Cole, a daughter.

MARRIED.

Wednesday evening May 18th, near Phenix, Wm. Wahler and Miss Jennie Bruce.

In Tempe, May 19, William Newell to Mrs. Thomas.

In Phenix, Arizona, May 29, 1887, Marion McCann to Lucy Linville.

Near Tempe, May 29th, Conrad Meyer and Miss Minnie J. Pendleton.

In Tombstone, May 31, Mr. Joseph Mitchell and Mrs. Bennett.

DIED.

In Tempe, May 16, infant son of Juliano Sosa, aged 1 year and 8 months.

In Phenix, May 19, W. H. St. John, aged 62 years.

At Holbrook, May 22, of congestion, John Q. infant son of J. Q. and Ellen Adamson, aged one year and eleven days.

In Tucson, May 31, David Beck, aged about 60 years.

Churches.

Assumption of the B. V. Catholic Church, Rev. J. Monfort, pastor. Sundays and festivals of obligation, mass, 8:30. Prayers, Benediction of the Holy Sacrament, 6 p. m.